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**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2018-007624**

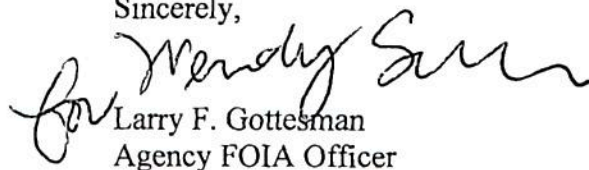
Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking access to and copies of all emails and attachments, from April 1, 2018 to present, to or from Ken Munis, Al McGartland, Elizabeth Kopits, and Amy Lamson, that mention the following terms: "cost benefit" or "cobenefits" or "ozone" or "cost" or "OIRA" or "OMB" or "2 for 1" or "two for one" or "regulatory reform" or "regulation" or "negative benefits."

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for records that are publicly available. The EPA Office of the Administrator (AO) will respond to your information request for the Agency.

If you have any questions concerning this correspondence, please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
for Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer



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**MAY 24 2018**

Ms. Emily Berman  
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RE: Request Number: EPA-HQ-2018-008026

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking "all documents related to EPA-HQ-2018-005494."

This request is pending. The records, if any, will be available by searching for the tracking number in FOIAonline:  
<https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>.

The total fee incurred in processing this request is de minimus and therefore you will not be billed.

We do not consider this a denial, however if you do, you may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only). Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20004. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90 calendar day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information

Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; e-mail, [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone, 202-741-5770 or 1-877-684-6448; and facsimile, 202-741-5769.

If you have any questions please call me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Larry F. Gottesman', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer

Matt Kasper

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Somerville MA 02144

RE: EPA-HQ-2018-008519

Dear Mr. Kasper:

The above-reference information request requesting "Any and all electronic communications between Matthew Z. Leopold, General Counsel, and representatives of the Edison Electric Institute, and Hunton & Williams" has been processed with the following final disposition: Partial grant/partial denial. Portions of the records have been withheld under exemption 6 (personal privacy).

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter.

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Sincerely,



Richard Albores

# EPA-HQ-2018-007319 Request Details

Case Status: Closed Due Date: N/A Clock Days: 0 (Never Started)

Case Phase: Closed

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Final Disposition, Request EPA-HQ-2018- 007319	Wendy Schumacher	(UNSENT)	05/10/2018		—

EPA-HQ-2018-007319 has been processed with the following final disposition: Duplicate request.

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-HQ-2018-007319	System	Emily Berman	05/09/2018		—
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-HQ-2018-007319 has been withdrawn by requester. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on:05/03/2018 Fee Waiver Disposition Reason:Duplicate request. Request Long Description:See attached document. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of a list of all staff that have departed from EPA Region 1 since January 20, 2017 as well as a list of all staff that have been hired by EPA Region 1 since January 20, 2017. I request that both lists include employee name, employee position title, and the Office/Division in which the employee worked/works.

FOIA Request EPA-R1- 2018-007319 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/03/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-R1-2018-007319 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 05/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description:See attached document.

## Other Correspondence

# EPA-R5-2018-007317 Request Details

Case Status: Closed Due Date: N/A Clock Days: 0 (Never Started)

Case Phase: Closed

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Final Disposition, Request EPA-R5-2018-007317	Wendy Schumacher	(UNSENT)	05/08/2018		—

EPA-R5-2018-007317 has been processed with the following final disposition: Duplicate request.

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-R5-2018-007317	System	Emily Berman	05/08/2018		—
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-R5-2018-007317 has been withdrawn by requester. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on:05/03/2018 Fee Waiver Disposition Reason:Duplicate. Request Long Description:See attached document.

FOIA Request EPA-R5-2018-007317 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/03/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-R5-2018-007317 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 05/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description:See attached document.

## Other Correspondence

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No correspondence has been created.

# EPA-R2-2018-007320 Request Details

Case Status: Closed Due Date: N/A Clock Days: 0 (Never Started)

Case Phase: Closed

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-R2-2018-007320	System	Emily Berman	05/09/2018		—

Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-R2-2018-007320 has been withdrawn by requester. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on: 05/03/2018 Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: Duplicate request. Request Long Description: See attached document.

Final Disposition, Request EPA-R2-2018-007320	Wendy Schumacher	(UNSENT)	05/09/2018		—
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EPA-R2-2018-007320 has been processed with the following final disposition: Duplicate request.

FOIA Request EPA-R2- 2018-007320 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/03/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-R2-2018-007320 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 05/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: See attached document.

## Other Correspondence

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No correspondence has been created.



# EPA-R7-2018-007324 Request Details

Case Phase: Closed Case Status: Closed Due Date: 06/01/2018 Clock Days: 4

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Final Disposition, Request EPA-R7-2018- 007324	Wendy Schumacher	(UNSENT)	05/09/2018		—

EPA-R7-2018-007324 has been processed with the following final disposition: Duplicate request.

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-R7-2018-007324	System	Emily Berman	05/09/2018		—
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-R7-2018-007324 has been withdrawn by requester. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on:05/03/2018 Fee Waiver Disposition Reason:Duplicate request. Request Long Description:See attached document. Wants a list of all departed employees since January 20,2017 and a list of all employees hired since January 20, 2017.

FOIA Request EPA-R7- 2018-007324 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/03/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-R7-2018-007324 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 05/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description:See attached document.

## Other Correspondence

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# EPA-R4-2018-007322 Request Details

Case Status: Closed Due Date: N/A Clock Days: 0 (Never Started)

Case Phase: Closed

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-R4-2018-007322	System	Emily Berman	05/08/2018		—

Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-R4-2018-007322 has been withdrawn by requester. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on:05/03/2018 Fee Waiver Disposition Reason:Consolidated as EPA-HQ-2018-007345 Request Long Description:See attached document.

Final Disposition, Request EPA-R4-2018-007322	Wendy Schumacher	(UNSENT)	05/08/2018		—
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EPA-R4-2018-007322 has been processed with the following final disposition: Duplicate request.

Acknowledgement Letter	Gwendolyn Woodard-Burrell	Emily Berman	05/04/2018		—
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Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
<p>05/04/2018 08:07 AM FOIA Request: EPA-R4-2018-007322 Dear Sir or Madam: This purpose of this email is to acknowledge receipt of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request by EPA Region 4, FOIA and Records Management Services Section. Your request has been assigned to a Government Information Specialist who will contact you directly regarding your request. However, you may also check the status of your request at any time in FOIAOnline at <a href="http://www.foiaonline.regulations.gov">www.foiaonline.regulations.gov</a>. Additionally, you may learn more about the FOIA Request Processing at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/foia/foia-request-process">www.epa.gov/foia/foia-request-process</a> or <a href="http://www.foia.gov">www.foia.gov</a>. This Agency has twenty (20) working days to respond to your request. However, this processing time may be extended due to unusual circumstances. Requests are processed in the order they are received. However, the time it takes to respond to a request varies depending on the complexity of the request and the backlog of requests already pending within this agency. Currently, EPA Region 4 is experiencing a backlog of requests. Therefore, while we may not be able to process your request within twenty (20) working day; however, we will work with you to provide an estimated date of completion and to extend the response date to your request. Please note, the Environmental Protection Agency proactively releases environmental information to the public on an ongoing basis. You may find the information you seek has already been released to the public by searching the following: - FOIAOnline may be searched for similar request. <a href="http://www.foiaonline.regulations.gov">www.foiaonline.regulations.gov</a> - EPA Facility Registration Services (FRS) contains data on facilities and sites that are subject to environmental regulations. <a href="http://www.epa.gov/enviro/facility-registration-services-frs">www.epa.gov/enviro/facility-registration-services-frs</a> - Enforcement and Compliance History Online (ECHO) provides information regarding compliance information for specific facilities and site, as well as mapping and analytical tools. <a href="http://www.echo.epa.gov">www.echo.epa.gov</a> - EPA in Your State directs you to information associated with environmental activities being conducted by the state. Since some environmental information is maintained by the states, you may wish to contact the state directly. <a href="https://www.epa.gov/home/epa-your-state">https://www.epa.gov/home/epa-your-state</a> - United States Coast Guard National Response Center, maintains reports related to environmental incidents. <a href="http://www.nrc.uscg.mil">www.nrc.uscg.mil</a> - EPA On Scene Coordinator Response Website, <a href="http://www.response.epa.gov">www.response.epa.gov</a>, provides information regarding initial response to environmental incidents. - EPA website, <a href="http://www.epa.gov">www.epa.gov</a>, maintains extensive information on environmental topics, matters and laws and regulations. Should you experience any problems with the processing of your request, please contact me directly. Sincerely, LouAnn Gross Chief, FOIA and Records Management Section Office: (404) 562-9642</p>					
FOIA Request EPA-R4-2018-007322 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/03/2018	-	

This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-R4-2018-007322 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 05/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: See attached document.



# EPA-R10-2018-007328 Request Details

Case Phase: Closed Case Status: Closed Due Date: 06/01/2018 Clock Days: 3

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-R10-2018-007328	System	Emily Berman	05/08/2018		—

Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-R10-2018-007328 has been withdrawn by requester. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on:05/03/2018 Fee Waiver Disposition Reason:Consolidated with HQ request. Request Long Description:See attached document.

Final Disposition, Request EPA-R10-2018-007328	Wendy Schumacher	(UNSENT)	05/08/2018		—
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EPA-R10-2018-007328 has been processed with the following final disposition: Duplicate request.

FOIA Request EPA-R10- 2018-007328 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/03/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-R10-2018-007328 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 05/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description:See attached document.

## Other Correspondence

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No correspondence has been created.



# EPA-R9-2018-007327 Request Details

Case Status: Closed Due Date: N/A Clock Days: 0 (Never Started)

Case Phase: Closed

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Final Disposition, Request EPA-R9-2018-007327	Wendy Schumacher	(UNSENT)	05/09/2018		—

EPA-R9-2018-007327 has been processed with the following final disposition: Duplicate request.

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-R9-2018-007327	System	Emily Berman	05/09/2018		—
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-R9-2018-007327 has been withdrawn by requester. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on: 05/03/2018 Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: Duplicate request. Request Long Description: See attached document.

FOIA Request EPA-R9-2018-007327 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/03/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-R9-2018-007327 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 05/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: See attached document.

## Other Correspondence

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# EPA-R5-2019-004012 Request Details

**Case Status:** Initial Evaluation **Due Date:** N/A **Clock Days:** 0 (Never Started)

**Case Phase:** Evaluation

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
FOIA Request EPA-R5-2019-004012 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	03/06/2019		—

This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: [View Request](#) . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-R5-2019-004012 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 03/06/2019 Request Status: Submitted Description: See attached document.

## Other Correspondence

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No correspondence has been created.

## Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 04/04/2019 **Clock Days:** 51

### Case Phase: Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Fee Waiver	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	03/11/2019		—

Attachment

FW Ltr EBerman 004013.pdf

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition	System	Emily	03/11/2019
Reached for EPA-HQ-2019-004013		Berman	

Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-HQ-2019-004013 has been determined to be not applicable as the request is not billable. Additional details for this request are as follows:  
Request Created on: 03/06/2019 Request Description: See attached document. Fee Waiver  
Original Justification: See attached document, Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: N/A

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-004013 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	03/06/2019
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: [View Request](#). Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-004013 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 03/06/2019 Request Status: Submitted Description: See attached document.

## Other Correspondence

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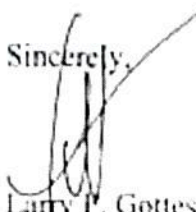
RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2019-004013

Dear Mr. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with the above referenced Freedom of Information Act request.

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request.

Sincerely,

  
Larry P. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer



# EPA-HQ-2019-004011 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 04/04/2019 **Clock Days:** 51

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-HQ-2019-004011	System	Emily Berman	03/11/2019		—

Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-HQ-2019-004011 has been fully granted. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on: 03/06/2019 Request Description: See attached document Fee Waiver Original Justification: See attached document Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: N/A

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-004011 Fee Waiver Grant Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	03/11/2019		—
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See attached letter

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-004011 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Grant Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-004011 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	03/06/2019		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-004011 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 03/06/2019 Request Status: Submitted Description: See attached document

## Other Correspondence

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**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2019-004011**

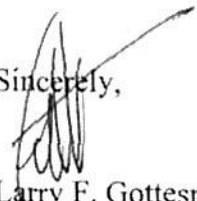
Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver and expedited processing, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **seeking access to and copies of all communications to or from the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) employee Nancy Beck, from May 1, 2017 through present, that mention "ethylene oxide" or "ETO" or "Sterigenics" or "Medline" or "Vantage" or "Willowbrook" or "Lake County" or "Macnabb" or "St. John."**

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for records that are publicly available. The EPA Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) will respond to your information request for the Agency.

If you have any questions concerning this determination, please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2019-003834 Request Details

**Case Phase:** Closed **Case Status:** Closed **Due Date:** 04/11/2019 **Clock Days:** 24

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Interim Release, Request EPA-HQ-2019-003834	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	04/03/2019		—

EPA-HQ-2019-003834 has been approved for an interim release. Records were released to the public as a result of this request. You may retrieve these records immediately using the following link: [View Records](#) . Over the next 2 hours, these records are also being added to FOIAonline's search pages, further enabling you to retrieve these documents associated with your FOIA request at any time.

[ED\\_002398\\_20190328\\_Production.pdf](#)

Final Disposition, Request EPA-HQ-2019-003834	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	04/03/2019		—
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EPA-HQ-2019-003834 has been processed with the following final disposition: Partial Grant/Partial Denial

Final Disposition, Request EPA-HQ-2019-003834	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	(UNSENT)	04/03/2019		—
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EPA-HQ-2019-003834 has been processed with the following final disposition: Partial Grant/Partial Denial

Final Response to FOIA No. EPA-HQ-2019-003834	Sabrina Hamilton	Emily Berman	04/03/2019		—
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Dear Ms. Berman: Please find attached the Agency's final response to your FOIA request. You will receive another email from FOIAonline notifying you that the case is officially closed. If you have any problems accessing the files, please contact me at [hamilton.sabrina@epa.gov](mailto:hamilton.sabrina@epa.gov) or (202) 564-1083. We appreciate the opportunity to be of service and hope the information provided is helpful. Sincerely, Sabrina Hamilton, FOIA Coordinator Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. EPA

Final Response Letter to Emily Berman for FOIA No. EPA-HQ-2019-003834 -- Ex 5 ACP DPP & Ex 6 PP - DW.pdf



Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
10 Day Extension of FOIA Request No. EPA-HQ-2019-003834 Due to Unusual Circumstances	Sabrina Hamilton	Emily Berman	03/26/2019		—

Dear Ms. Berman: Please see the attached letter concerning an extension due to unusual circumstances. If you have any questions or would like to modify or narrow your request so that it may be processed sooner, please contact Jonathan Lubetsky at [lubetsky.Jonathan@epa.gov](mailto:lubetsky.Jonathan@epa.gov) or (202) 564-3166. Sincerely, Sabrina Hamilton, FOIA Coordinator Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. EPA

10 Day Extension Letter Due to Unusual Circumstances to Emily Berman for EPA-HQ-2019-003834.pdf

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-HQ-2019- 003834	System	Emily Berman	03/05/2019
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-HQ-2019-003834 has been fully granted. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on: 02/28/2019 Request Description: See attached document. Fee Waiver Original Justification: See attached document. Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: N/A

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-003834 Fee Waiver Grant Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	03/05/2019
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See attached letter

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-003834 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Grant Letter.docx

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-003834 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	02/28/2019
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: [View Request](#). Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-003834 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 02/28/2019 Request Status: Submitted Description: See attached document.

## Other Correspondence





UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

April 3, 2019

OFFICE OF  
AIR AND RADIATION

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientist  
1825 K Street, NW  
Suite 800  
Washington, D.C. 20006

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2019-003834

Dear Ms. Berman:

This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on February 28, 2019, in which you requested the following: *"Access to and copies of all communications to or from Clint Woods or David Harlow, from September 1, 2018 to present, that mention 'Enstrom' or 'Santorium' or 'Chamber of Commerce.' As Mr. Woods has admitted to a FOIA officer that he sends work emails to a private email address, we request that EPA search both Mr. Woods' official EPA email address as well as his personal email."*

Your request is partially granted and partially denied. The Agency released the responsive records in its entirety through FOIAonline while withholding 14 records in full. Portions of the records have been redacted pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(5), because they contain pre-decisional and deliberative discussions which would harm agency decision making if released and therefore fall under the Deliberative Process Privilege. These documents also fall under the Attorney Client Privilege and the Attorney Work Product Privilege. Portions of documents were also redacted pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6). This material is exempt from disclosure because it contains personal information which would be an unwarranted invasion of privacy if released. There is no cost for the processing of this request.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to:

National FOIA Office  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A)  
Washington, D.C. 20460

Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, William Jefferson Clinton North Building, Room 5315, Washington, DC 20460.

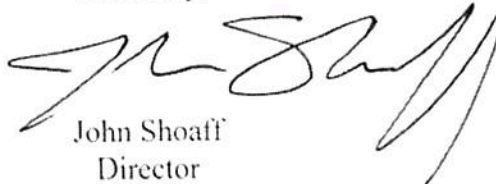
Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals *received* after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: email, [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; facsimile (202) 741-5769; or by mail at:

Office of Government Information Services  
National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510  
8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001

We appreciate your interest in the EPA and our mission to protect public health and the environment. Should you choose to appeal this determination, please be sure to fully address all factors required by EPA's FOIA Regulations, located at 40 C.F.R., Part 2.104.

Sincerely,

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John Shoaff  
Director  
Office of Air Policy and Program Support

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned  
Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW  
Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2019-003834**

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver and expedited processing, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **seeking** access to and copies of all communications to or from Clint Woods or David Harlow, from September 1, 2018 to present, that mention “Enstrom” or “Santorum” or “Chamber of Commerce.”

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for records that are publicly available. The EPA Office of air and Radiation (OAR) will respond to your information request for the Agency.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2019-003533 Request Details

Case Phase: Closed Case Status: Closed Due Date: 03/18/2019 Clock Days: 4

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Final Disposition, Request EPA-HQ-2019-003533	Rebecca Clausen	Emily Berman	02/23/2019		—

EPA-HQ-2019-003533 has been processed with the following final disposition: No Records

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-HQ-2019-003533	System	Emily Berman	02/22/2019		—
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-HQ-2019-003533 has been determined to be not applicable as the request is not billable. Additional details for this request are as follows:  
Request Created on: 02/15/2019 Request Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications and documents to or from David Dunlap or his scheduler about a November 7, 2018 meeting at 5:30-6:00 p.m. between Dunlap, Brittany Bolen, Justin Schwab, and Clint Woods. We are requesting all communications and documents about setting up this meeting, all notes taken by Mr. Dunlap during the meeting, and any documents or communications following up the meeting. Fee Waiver Original Justification: See attached document. Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: N/A

Fee Waiver	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	02/22/2019		—
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### Attachment

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Confirmation of Receipt; EPA-HQ-2019-003533	Rebecca Clausen	Emily Berman	02/19/2019		—
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Dear Ms. Berman, This correspondence is to confirm that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, or Agency) has received your Freedom of Information Act Request on 02/15/2019 for access to and copies of all communications and documents to or from David Dunlap or his scheduler about a November 7, 2018 meeting at 5:30-6:00 p.m. between Dunlap, Brittany Bolen, Justin Schwab, and Clint Woods. This is to include all communications and documents about setting up this meeting, all notes taken by Mr. Dunlap during the meeting, and any documents or communications following up the meeting. This request has been assigned to the EPA Office of Research and Development for processing. The Agency is diligently working on your request, and will contact you as more information becomes available. If you have any questions, please contact me at [clausen.rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:clausen.rebecca@epa.gov). Sincerely, Rebecca Clausen, U.S. EPA Office of Research and Development

Confirmation of Receipt Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-003533 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	02/15/2019	-
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-003533 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 02/15/2019 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications and documents to or from David Dunlap or his scheduler about a November 7, 2018 meeting at 5:30-6:00 p.m. between Dunlap, Brittany Bolen, Justin Schwab, and Clint Woods. We are requesting all communications and documents about setting up this meeting, all notes taken by Mr. Dunlap during the meeting, and any documents or communications following up the meeting.

## Other Correspondence

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Adequacy of Search Verification - signed.pdf	0.0418	Adobe PDF Document	
EPA-HQ-2019-003533 Response Letter.docx	0.0413	Microsoft Word 2007	
Final Disposition Notice 2019-02-23 123649 Letter.pdf	0.0009	Adobe PDF Document	



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

FEB 22 2019

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2019-003533

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with the above referenced Freedom of Information Act request.

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2019-000982 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Processing Tasks **Due Date:** 11/30/2018 **Clock Days:** 137

**Case Phase:** Processing

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
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FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000982 Fee Waiver Grant Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	10/31/2018		
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See attached letter

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000982 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Grant Letter.pdf

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-HQ-2019-000982	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	10/31/2018		
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-HQ-2019-000982 has been fully granted. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on: 10/30/2018 Request Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications to or from Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta, John Vandenberg, or Aaron Yeow, from September 1, 2018 through October 30, 2018, that mention "Cox" or "Woods" or that mention "CASAC" or "advisor" in the same communication as "PM" or "particulate" or "dose" or "causality." Fee Waiver Original Justification: See attached document. Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: N/A

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-000982 Submitted	foia_hq@epa.gov	Emily Berman	10/30/2018		
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-000982 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 10/30/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications to or from Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta, John Vandenberg, or Aaron Yeow, from September 1, 2018 through October 30, 2018, that mention "Cox" or "Woods" or that mention "CASAC" or "advisor" in the same communication as "PM" or "particulate" or "dose" or "causality."





**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

Washington, D C 20460

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

OCT 31 2018

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2019-000982**


Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver and expedited processing, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking access to and copies of all communications to or from Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta, John Vandenberg, or Aaron Yeow, from September 1, 2018 through October 30, 2018, that mention "Cox" or "Woods" or that mention "CASAC" or "advisor" in the same communication as "PM" or "particulate" or "dose" or "causality."

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for records that are publicly available. The EPA Office of Research and Development (ORD) will respond to your information request for the Agency.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer



# EPA-HQ-2019-000460 Request Details Backlogged

Case Phase: Closed Case Status: Closed Due Date: 11/14/2018 Clock Days: 24

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Final Disposition, Request EPA-HQ-2019-000460	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	11/20/2018		—

EPA-HQ-2019-000460 has been processed with the following final disposition:

Interim Release, Request EPA-HQ-2019-000460	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	11/20/2018		—
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EPA-HQ-2019-000460 has been approved for an interim release. Records were released to the public as a result of this request. You may retrieve these records immediately using the following link: [View Records](#) . Over the next 2 hours, these records are also being added to FOIAonline's search pages, further enabling you to retrieve these documents associated with your FOIA request at any time.

Final Response to FOIA Request No. EPA-HQ- 2019-000460	Sabrina Hamilton	Emily Berman	11/14/2018		—
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Dear Ms. Berman: Please find attached the Agency's final response to your FOIA request. You will receive another email from FOIAonline notifying you that the case is officially closed. We appreciate the opportunity to be of service and hope the information provided is helpful. Sincerely, Sabrina Hamilton, FOIA Coordinator Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. EPA  
Final Response Letter to Emily Berman for EPA-HQ-2019-000460 -- Ex 5 DPP & Ex 6 PP - DW.pdf

Fee Waiver and Expedited Processing	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	10/17/2018		—
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Attachment  
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FOIA Request EPA-HQ- 2019-000460 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	10/15/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: [View Request](#) . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-000460 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 10/15/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications and documents to, from, or in the custody of Clint Woods, from July 1, 2018 through October 14, 2018, that contain the words "Packham" or "Lange" or "Boylan."

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OCT 17 2018

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2019-000460

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for fee waiver and expedited processing in connection with the above referenced Freedom of Information Act request regarding communications and documents to and from or in the custody of Clint Woods, from July 1-October 14, 2018.

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request. The Office of Air and Radiation will be responding to your request.

Your request for expedited processing was evaluated as to whether there is an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged Federal government activity by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information to the public and whether a lack of expedited treatment could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual. Your request does not show that it was submitted by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information to the public. Your request also does not contain enough information to support a finding that a lack of expedited treatment could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual. Therefore, I find that neither standard is met by your request and your request for expedited processing is denied. This request will be processed as expeditiously as possible.

You may appeal this determination by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the EPA's National FOIA Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A), Washington, DC 20460 or through FOIAonline if you are an account holder. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Room 5315, Washington, DC 20460. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals *received* after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act

Appeal." Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer



# EPA-HQ-2019-000485 Request Details Backlogged

Case Phase: Closed Case Status: Closed Due Date: 11/14/2018 Clock Days: 41

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Final Disposition, Request EPA-HQ-2019-000485	Rebecca Clausen	Emily Berman	12/16/2018		—

EPA-HQ-2019-000485 has been processed with the following final disposition: Partial Grant/Partial Denial

Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ- 2019-000485	Rebecca Clausen	Emily Berman	11/13/2018		—
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2019-000485 Dear Ms. Berman: This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) on October 16, 2018. Given the scope of the request, EPA anticipates that unusual circumstances exist requiring a search for and collection of the requested records from EPA offices that are separate from the Office of Research and Development, who is processing the request. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 2.104(d), and extension of time required to respond to your request is necessary. The new due date is 11/29/18, ten working days from 11/14/18. For an update on the status of your FOIA request, please contact me at [clausen.rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:clausen.rebecca@epa.gov). Rebecca Clausen, EPA Office of Research and Development Extension Unusual Circumstance Letter.pdf

Fee Waiver	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	10/19/2018		—
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Attachment  
FW Ltr EBerman 000485.pdf

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-HQ-2019-000485	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	10/19/2018		—
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-HQ-2019-000485 has been determined to be not applicable as the request is not billable. Additional details for this request are as follows: Request Created on: 10/15/2018 Request Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications and documents to, from, or in the custody of former EPA employee Richard Yamada, from July 1, 2018 through his last day in office, that contain the words "Packham" or "Lange." Additionally, I request all communications between Richard Yamada and Clint Woods, from July 1, 2018 through Yamada's last day in office, that mention "CASAC" or "particulate matter" or "PM 2.5" or "advisory committee." Fee Waiver Original Justification: See attached document. Fee Waiver Disposition Reason: N/A

Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-HQ-2019-000485	Rebecca Clausen	Emily Berman	10/17/2018		
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Dear Emily Berman, This correspondence is to confirm that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, or Agency) has received your Freedom of Information Act Request on 10/15/2018 for access to and copies of all communications and documents to, from, or in the custody of former EPA employee Richard Yamada, from July 1, 2018 through his last day in office, that contain the words "Packham" or "Lange." Additionally, all communications between Richard Yamada and Clint Woods, from July 1, 2018 through Yamada's last day in office, that mention "CASAC" or "particulate matter" or "PM 2.5" or "advisory committee." It has been assigned to me, and I can be reached at [clausen.rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:clausen.rebecca@epa.gov). The Agency is diligently working on your request, and will contact you as more information becomes available. Sincerely, Rebecca Clausen, U.S. EPA Office of Research and Development  
Confirmation of Receipt Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-000485 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	10/15/2018		
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-000485 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 10/15/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications and documents to, from, or in the custody of former EPA employee Richard Yamada, from July 1, 2018 through his last day in office, that contain the words "Packham" or "Lange." Additionally, I request all communications between Richard Yamada and Clint Woods, from July 1, 2018 through Yamada's last day in office, that mention "CASAC" or "particulate matter" or "PM 2.5" or "advisory committee."

## Other Correspondence



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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**OCT 19 2018**

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
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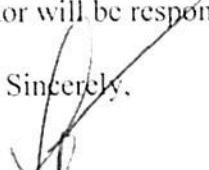
RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2019-000485

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with the above referenced Freedom of Information Act request regarding all communications and documents to and from former EPA employee Richard Yamada from July 1, 2018 through his last day in office.

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request. The Office of the Administrator will be responding to your request.

Sincerely,

  
Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer



# EPA-HQ-2019-000221 Request Details Backlogged

Case Phase: Closed Case Status: Closed Due Date: 12/20/2018 Clock Days: 73

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
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Final Disposition, Request EPA-HQ-2019-000221	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	01/28/2019		—
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EPA-HQ-2019-000221 has been processed with the following final disposition: Partial Grant/Partial Denial

EPA-HQ-2019-000221	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	12/21/2018		—
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Attached please find the final closeout letter.

Final Response Letter to Ms. Emily Berman - EPA-HQ-2019-000221.pdf

Interim Release, Request EPA-HQ-2019-000221	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	12/20/2018		—
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EPA-HQ-2019-000221 has been approved for an interim release. Records were released to the public as a result of this request. You may retrieve these records immediately using the following link: [View Records](#) . Over the next 2 hours, these records are also being added to FOIAonline's search pages, further enabling you to retrieve these documents associated with your FOIA request at any time.

EPA-HQ-2019-000221 Update	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	12/12/2018		—
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Dear Emily Berman, We are in the final stages of producing documents responsive to this request. We anticipate releasing documents and closing the FOIA request by the end of next week. Given our timeline, may I extend the deadline for the request to be 12/20/18? Thank you, Jonathan Lubetsky

EPA-HQ-2019-000221	Mr. Jonathan Lubetsky	Emily Berman	11/08/2018		—
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2019-000221 Dear Ms. Berman: This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) on October 10, 2018 in which you requested "access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of Clint Woods or William Wehrum, from July 1, 2018 through the date the search is conducted, that contain both the terms "CASAC" and "PM" (or "particulate matter") in the same document/communication." Given the scope of the request, EPA anticipates that the response will require significant amount of EPA's resources and time to search for, and appropriately examine the voluminous amount of records to complete this request. EPA's preliminary search returned over 4,000 potentially responsive records. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 2.104(d), and extension of time required to respond to your request is necessary. The new due date is November 23, 2018, ten working days from November 7, 2018. For an update on the status of your FOIA request, please call Jonathan Lubetsky at (202) 564-3166 or access FOIAonline. If you would like to modify or narrow your request so that it may be processed sooner, please contact Jonathan Lubetsky, who can be reached at [lubetsky.jonathan@epa.gov](mailto:lubetsky.jonathan@epa.gov).

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FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000221 Fee Waiver Not Billable and Expedited Processing Denial Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	10/15/2018	—
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See attached letter

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000221 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Not Billable and Expedited Processing Denial Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-000221 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	10/05/2018	—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-000221 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 10/05/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of Clint Woods or William Wehrum, from July 1, 2018 through the date the search is conducted, that contain both the terms "CASAC" and "PM" (or "particulate matter") in the same document/communication.

## Other Correspondence



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

Washington, D C 20460

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

**OCT 15 2018**

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20008

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2019-000221**

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver and expedited processing, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **seeking access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of Clint Woods or William Wehrum, from July 1, 2018 through the date the search is conducted, that contain both the terms “CASAC” and “PM” (or “particulate matter”) in the same document/communication.**

Based upon a review of your request and the information available to us at this time, we have determined that the total fees that would be incurred in processing this request do not meet the cost threshold and therefore not billable. The Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) will respond to your request for information.

Your request for expedited processing was evaluated as to whether there is an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged Federal government activity by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information to the public and whether a lack of expedited treatment could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual. Your request does not show that it was submitted by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information to the public. Your request also does not contain enough information to support a finding that a lack of expedited treatment could reasonably be expected to pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual. Therefore, I find that neither standard is met by your request, and your request for expedited processing is denied. This request will be processed as expeditiously as possible by the Office of Air and Radiation (OAR).

This letter concludes our response to your request for a fee waiver and expedited processing. You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the EPA's National FOIA Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A), Washington, DC 20460. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 5315, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals *received* after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (202) 741-5769.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,



Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer



# EPA-HQ-2019-000168 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 11/07/2018 **Clock Days:** 151

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000168 Fee Waiver Not Billable Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	10/15/2018		—

See attached letter

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000168 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Not Billable Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-000168 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	10/04/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: [View Request](#) . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-000168 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 10/04/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of Tom Brennan, from August 15, 2018 through the date the search is conducted, that mention "Woods" or "Clint."

## Other Correspondence

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2019-000168 - First contact Email.pdf	0.4187	Adobe PDF Document	





UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
Washington, D C 20460

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

OCT 15 2018

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW., Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2019-000168**

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **seeking access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of Tom Brennan, from August 15, 2018 through the date the search is conducted, that mention "Woods" or "Clint."**

Based upon a review of your request and the information available to us at this time, we have determined that the total fees that would be incurred in processing this request do not meet the cost threshold and therefore not billable. The Office will respond to your request for information.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

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Larty F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2019-000126 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 11/07/2018 **Clock Days:** 151

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
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FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000126 Fee Waiver Not Billable Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	10/15/2018		—
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See attached letter

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000126 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Not Billable Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-000126 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	10/03/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-000126 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 10/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of David Dunlap's calendars from his first day at EPA through to the date the search is conducted. Additionally, I request copies of all communications to or from Mr. Dunlap, for the same time period, which contain the words "integrity" or "transparency" or "Milloy" or "Beck" or "Woods" or "Jackson" or "particle" or "IRIS" or "CASAC" or "SAB" or "advisory."

## Other Correspondence

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(2019-3-6) RE_ FOIA Request # EPA-HQ-2019-000126 and EPA-HQ-2019-000128.pdf	0.1084	Adobe PDF Document	



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Washington, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF  
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OCT 15 2018

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2019-000126**

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **seeking copies of all communications to or from Mr. Dunlap, for the same time period, which contain the words “integrity” or “transparency” or “Milloy” or “Beck” or “Woods” or “Jackson” or “particle” or “IRIS” or “CASAC” or “SAB” or “advisory.”**

Based upon a review of your request and the information available to us at this time, we have determined that the total fees that would be incurred in processing this request do not meet the cost threshold and therefore not billable. The Office will respond to your request for information.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2019-000128 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 11/07/2018 **Clock Days:** 151

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000128 Fee Waiver Not Billable Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	10/15/2018		—
See attached letter FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000128 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Not Billable Letter.docx					
FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-000128 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	10/03/2018		—

This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-000128 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 10/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of Ryan Jackson or Henry Darwin, from September 1, 2018 to October 1, 2018, that mention "Dunlap" or are sent to or from hokiedunlap@gmail.com or any email account ending in @kochind.com.

## Other Correspondence

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(2019-3-6) RE_ FOIA Request # EPA-HQ-2019-000126 and EPA-HQ-2019-000128.pdf	0.1084	Adobe PDF Document	



Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2019-000128**

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **seeking access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of Ryan Jackson or Henry Darwin, from September 1, 2018 to October 1, 2018, that mention “Dunlap” or are sent to or from hokiedunlap@gmail.com or any email account ending in @kochind.com.**

Based upon a review of your request and the information available to us at this time, we have determined that the total fees that would be incurred in processing this request do not meet the cost threshold and therefore not billable. The Office of the Administrator (AO) will respond to your request for information.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2019-000125 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Processing Tasks **Due Date:** 11/21/2018 **Clock Days:** 152

**Case Phase:** Processing

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2019-000125 - Extension	Rebecca Clausen	Emily Berman	11/05/2018		—

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2019-000125 Dear Ms. Berman, This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) on October 7, 2018, in which you requested all communications of Richard Yamada, 8/15/17 to 11/3/17, including "CASAC" and "Zarba", or "CASAC" and "Woods", or "Cox" in any communication. This request is being processed by the Office of Research and Development (ORD). Given the scope of the request, EPA will need to search for and collect the requested records from EPA offices that are separate from the office processing the request. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 2.104(d), an extension of time required to respond to your request is necessary. The new due date is November 21, 2018, ten working days from November 7, 2018, the original due-date for your request. For any questions concerning this FOIA, please don't hesitate to contact me at [clausen.rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:clausen.rebecca@epa.gov) Rebecca Clausen ORD Deputy National FOIA Officer

Extension Unusual Circumstance Letter.pdf

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000125 Fee Waiver Not Billable Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	10/16/2018		—
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See attached letter

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2019-000125 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Not Billable Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-000125	Rebecca Clausen	Emily Berman	10/11/2018		—
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Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
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Dear Emily Berman, This correspondence is to confirm that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, or Agency) has received your Freedom of Information Act Request on 10/03/2018 for: "Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of former EPA employee Richard Yamada, from August 15, 2017 through November 3, 2017, that mention either "CASAC" and "Zarba" in the same communication, that mention "CASAC" and "Woods" in the same communication, and that mention "Cox" in any communication. Additionally, from August 15, 2017 through November 3, 2017, I request all communications between Richard Yamada and Clint Woods that mention "Zarba." It has been assigned to me, Rebecca Clausen, and I can be reached at [clausen.rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:clausen.rebecca@epa.gov) or 919-541-3002. The Agency is diligently working on your request, and will contact you as more information becomes available. Sincerely, Rebecca Clausen, U.S. EPA Office of Research and Development

Confirmation of Receipt Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2019-000125 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	10/03/2018	—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2019-000125 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 10/03/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of former EPA employee Richard Yamada, from August 15, 2017 through November 3, 2017, that mention either "CASAC" and "Zarba" in the same communication, that mention "CASAC" and "Woods" in the same communication, and that mention "Cox" in any communication. Additionally, from August 15, 2017 through November 3, 2017, I request all communications between Richard Yamada and Clint Woods that mention "Zarba."

## Other Correspondence

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Reassignment of FOIA EPA-HQ-2019-000125 from Emily Berman to ORD for Lead Action.pdf	0.0748	Adobe PDF Document	





**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

Washington, D.C. 20460

OCT 16 2018

OFFICE OF  
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Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2019-000125**

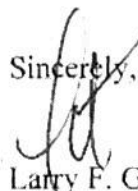
Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver and expedited processing, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **seeking access to and copies of all communications to, from, or in the custody of former EPA employee Richard Yamada, from August 15, 2017 through November 3, 2017, that mention either "CASAC" and "Zarba" in the same communication, that mention "CASAC" and "Woods" in the same communication, and that mention "Cox" in any communication. Also, from August 15, 2017 through November 3, 2017, access to all communications between Richard Yamada and Clint Woods that mention "Zarba."**

Based upon a review of your request and the information available to us at this time, we have determined that the total fees that would be incurred in processing this request do not meet the cost threshold and therefore not billable. The Office will respond to your request for information.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer



# EPA-HQ-2018-011885 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 10/30/2018 **Clock Days:** 158

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Fee Waiver Letter	Lindae Green	Emily Berman	10/11/2018		—

Attached

FW LTR Berman 011885.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2018-011885 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	09/28/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: [View Request](#). Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2018-011885 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 09/28/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications and documents to, from, or in the custody of Helena Wooden-Aguilar, from September 17 to September 27, that mention "Etzel" or "children's health" or "OCHP" or "Davenport."

## Other Correspondence

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OCT 11 2018

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-011885

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with the above referenced Freedom of Information Act request regarding copies of all communications and documents in the custody of Helena Wooden-Aguilar from September 17 to September 27 that mentions "Etzel" or other terms.

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request. The Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance will be responding to your request.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer

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# EPA-HQ-2018-011601 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 10/23/2018 **Clock Days:** 163

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2018-011601 Fee Waiver Grant Letter	Judith Lewis	Emily Berman	09/25/2018		—

See attached letter

FOIA -- EPA-HQ-2018-011601 Emily Berman re Fee Waiver Grant Letter.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2018-011601 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	09/19/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2018-011601 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 09/19/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of Joseph Brazauskas' calendars from his first day at EPA through to September 19, 2018. Additionally, I request copies of all communications to or from Mr. Brazauskas, for the same time period, which contain the words "pebble" or "scientific integrity" or "transparency" or that are to or from any email address ending in mail.house.gov.

## Other Correspondence

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**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

Washington, D.C. 20460

SEP 25 2018

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2018-011601**

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking access to and copies of Joseph Brazauskas' calendars from his first day at EPA through to September 19, 2018; also requesting copies of all communications to or from Mr. Brazauskas for the same time period, which contain the words "pebble" or "scientific integrity" or "transparency", or that are to or from any email address ending in mail.house.gov.

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for records that are publicly available. The EPA Office of General Counsel (OGC) will respond to your information request for the Agency.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer



## Quick Search

Enter search criteria into the Keyword Search field. Multiple keywords can be used, which will search using OR logic. To find a request by tracking number, enter the entire number (EPA-2012-000123), or a partial number (000123). Results will include both requests and records that match the entered criteria.

If you can't find what you are looking for, then try Advanced Search.

### Keyword Search

2018-011362

### Search Results

Tracking Number	Type	Requester	Received Date	Due Date	Assigned To	
EPA-HQ-2018-011362	Case File Review	Emily Berman	05/06/2019	05/06/2019	Rebecca Clausen	^
EPA-HQ-2018-011362	Fee Waiver	Emily Berman	09/11/2018	09/11/2018	Monica Lewis	
EPA-HQ-2018-011362	Record	Emily Berman	09/11/2018	10/18/2018	Rebecca Clausen	
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## EPA-HQ-2018-010312 Request Details

## Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 09/10/2018 **Clock Days:** 193

### Case Phase: Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
(No Subject)	Monica Lewis	(UNSENT)	08/24/2018		—

No correspondence letter included.

Fee Waiver	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	08/24/2018	-
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Attachment

FW Ltr EBerman 010312.pdf

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2018-010312 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	08/06/2018	-
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2018-010312 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 08/06/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications and documents, from January 20, 2017 to present, to or from Al McGartland, Ken Munis, Amy Lamson, or Elizabeth Kopits that mention "Clean Power Plan" or "CPP" in the same communication/document as any of the following: "National Ambient Air Quality Standards" or "NAAQS" or "fine particle" or "particle pollutant" or "PM 2.5" or "soot" or "ozone" or "margin of safety."

## Other Correspondence

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No correspondence has been created.



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

AUG 24 2018

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-010312

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with your request seeking communication documents from January 20, 2017 to present, to and from Al McGartland, Ken Munis, Amy Lamson, or Elizabeth Kopits that mention "Clean Power Plan."

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request. The Office of the Administrator will be responding to your information request.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2018-009826 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 09/11/2018 **Clock Days:** 191

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Your FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2018-009826/Initial Response	Mr. Earl Ingram	Emily Berman	08/16/2018		—
<p><b>**Please do not respond to the email address above**</b> Dear Ms. Berman: This is in response to your inquiry to the Freedom of Information Office in the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) for the information as described in your request letter below: "request access to and copies of all communications, from July 1, 2018 through the date the search is conducted, to or from Nancy Beck, Richard Yamada, or Aaron Ringel that mention "Brazauskas" or "Grigoryan" or "Jordan" or "Traynham." Attached is our initial response letter. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at <a href="mailto:ingram.earl@epa.gov">ingram.earl@epa.gov</a> or on 703-305-5456. Sincerely, Earl Ingram, Chief Public Information and Records Integrity Branch Information Technology and Resources Management Division Office of Pesticide Programs</p> <p>Initial Response Letter-EPA-HQ-2018-009826.pdf</p>					
Fee Waiver	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	08/08/2018		—
<p>Attachment FW Ltr EBerman 009826.pdf</p>					
(No Subject)	Monica Lewis	(UNSENT)	08/08/2018		—
No correspondence letter included.					
FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2018-009826 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	07/20/2018		—




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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2018-009826 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 07/20/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications, from July 1, 2018 through the date the search is conducted, to or from Nancy Beck, Richard Yamada, or Aaron Ringel that mention "Brazauskas" or "Grigoryan" or "Jordan" or "Traynham."

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## Other Correspondence

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10  
MAY 1962 EDITION  
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

AUG 8 2018

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-009826

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with the above referenced Freedom of Information Act request regarding communication from July 1, 2018 to the date the search for documents is conducted to or from Nancy Beek, Richard Yamada, or Aaron Ringel that mention "Brazauskas" or Grigoryan" or "Jordan" or "Traynham."

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request. The Office of Land and Emergency Management will be responding to your request.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2018-009816 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 05/06/2019 **Clock Days:** 205

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Freedom of Information Request EPA-HQ-2018-009816, Clarification	Wanda McLendon	Emily Berman	08/22/2018		—

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2018-009816 This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on July 20, 2018, requesting access to and copies of all communications, from July 9, 2018 to the day the search for documents is conducted, to or from Peter Wright that mention "Superfund" or "National Priorities List" or "NPL" or "CERCLA" or "Risk Management Plan" or "RMP" or "RCRA" or "Resource Conservation and Recovery Act" or "Brownfields" or "Dow" or "DuPont" or "Tittabawassee" or "Midland" or "dioxin" or "coal ash." . The agency is diligently processing your FOIA request. However, we have a concern with respect to the phrase "from July 9, 2018 to the day the search for documents is conducted." In order to perform a proper search, there must be a specific range date (ex. January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2018). We would like to provide you the opportunity to clarify the records that you are seeking. Please respond to this request for clarification or modification within ten calendar days from the date of this letter. If we do not receive a response from you within this time period, we will consider your request to be voluntarily withdrawn. Once we receive your clarification or modification, we will submit your search terms to our eDiscovery Team, and it will take from 3-4 weeks to receive the results. Therefore, the projected date of completion will be September 26, 2018. Because the the time limit is more than ten additional days, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services. Please contact me at mclendon.wanda@epa.gov with your clarification or you may reach me at (202) 566-1917.

Request Clarification Letter.pdf

(No Subject)	Monica Lewis	(UNSENT)	08/08/2018		—
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No correspondence letter included.

Fee Waiver	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	08/08/2018		—
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FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2018-009816 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	07/20/2018		—

This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2018-009816 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 07/20/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of all communications, from July 9, 2018 to the day the search for documents is conducted, to or from Peter Wright that mention "Superfund" or "National Priorities List" or "NPL" or "CERCLA" or "Risk Management Plan" or "RMP" or "RCRA" or "Resource Conservation and Recovery Act" or "Brownfields" or "Dow" or "DuPont" or "Tittabawassee" or "Midland" or "dioxin" or "coal ash."

## Other Correspondence

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Extension agreed for EPA-HQ-2018-009816.pdf	0.1166	Adobe PDF Document	



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

AUG 8 2018

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006


RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-009816

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with the above referenced Freedom of Information Act request regarding communication from July 9, 2018 to the day the search for documents is conducted to or from Peter Wright that mention "Superfund" and "National Priorities List" and other terms.

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request. The Office of Land and Emergency Management will be responding to your request.

Sincerely,

  
Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2018-009802 Request Details Backlogged

Case Status: Assignment Determination Due Date: 08/21/2018 Clock Days: 206

Case Phase: Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Not Billable	Linda F Person	Emily Berman	08/01/2018		—

Not billable  
NB HQ-2018-009802 signed (1).pdf

(No Subject)	Linda F Person	(UNSENT)	08/01/2018		—
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No correspondence letter included.

FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2018-009802 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	07/20/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request . Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2018-009802 Requester Name: Emily Berman Date Submitted: 07/20/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description: Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists, I write to request access to and copies of OCSPP Deputy Administrator Nancy Beck's calendars for May, June, and July of 2018.

## Other Correspondence

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No correspondence has been created.





UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

2018-08-08  
10:10:00 AM

AUG 8 2018

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-009671

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with the above referenced Freedom of Information Act request regarding emails and attachments to and from or in the custody of Nancy Beck that mention "LeHuray" from January 1, 2018 to July 15, 2018.

Based on the information provided in your request, we have determined your request does not reach the minimum billable amount. Therefore, no charges are associated in processing your request. The Office of the Administrator will be responding to your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry F. Gottesman", is positioned above the typed name.

Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF WATER

FEB 15 2019

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street NW Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

Re: FOIA Request: EPA-HQ-2018-009652 Final Response

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) on July 16, 2018 in which you requested:

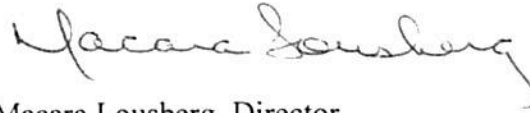
“copies of all communications and documents, from each of their first days in office to present, to or from Richard Yamada or David Ross regarding the topic of radioactivity in hydraulic fracturing (“fracking”) waste.”

The Agency has concluded its search for records responsive to your request and is providing a portion of the requested records. The EPA is withholding 3 records in full and 2 records in part. Records are being withheld pursuant to: 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), the Deliberative Process Privilege and §552(b)(5), the Attorney Client Privilege. The records are exempt from disclosure because they are pre-decisional and deliberative and would harm agency decision making if released (DPP). One record contains confidential communications between an agency attorney and client concerning legal advice (ACP).

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A), Washington, DC 20460. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 5315, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and

Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email: [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone: (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax: (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Macara Lousberg". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Macara" being more prominent than the last name "Lousberg".

Macara Lousberg, Director  
Water Policy Staff



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

AUG - 8 2018

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned  
Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2018-009652**

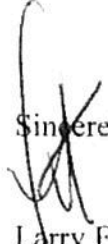
Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), seeking access to and copies of all communications and documents, to and from Richard Yamada and/or David Ross, each from their first days in office to present, David, regarding the topic of radioactivity in hydraulic fracturing waste.

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for records that are publicly available.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer





UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

**MAY 24 2018**

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20006-1232

RE: Request Number: EPA-HQ-2018-008026

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking "all documents related to EPA-HQ-2018-005494."

This request is pending. The records, if any, will be available by searching for the tracking number in FOIAonline:  
<https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>.

The total fee incurred in processing this request is de minimus and therefore you will not be billed.

We do not consider this a denial, however if you do, you may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only). Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20004. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90 calendar day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information

Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; e-mail, [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone, 202-741-5770 or 1-877-684-6448; and facsimile, 202-741-5769.

If you have any questions please call me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY  
AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

Ms. Emily Berman  
1825 K Street NW  
Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-HQ-2018-007934

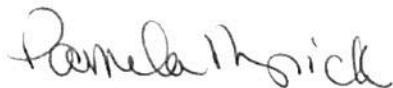
Dear Ms. Berman:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (reference number EPA-HQ-2018-007934) that requested copies of all communications, from December 1, 2017 to present, to or from Nancy Beck, Holly Greaves, or Ryan Jackson, regarding a draft Toxicological Profile created by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) that addresses four polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS): perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS), perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), perfluorohexanoate (PFHX), and perfluorononanoate (PFNA). On July 11, 2018, you narrowed the search terms to ATSDR and PFAS. No responsive records were located.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek assistance from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone, (301) 837-1996 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (301) 837-0348.

Any questions regarding this response should be directed to John Latham at (202) 564-6754. Please cite the reference number EPA-HQ-2018-007934 in any future correspondence with the Agency concerning your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Pamela Myrick".

Pamela Myrick, Director  
Environmental Assistance Division  
Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics





UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

MAY 30 2018

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned  
Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW  
Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006-1232

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2018-007934**

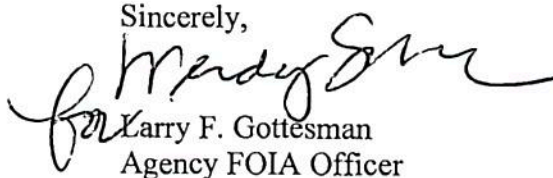
Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking access to and copies of all communications from December 1, 2017 to present, to or from Nancy Beck, Holly Greaves, or Ryan Jackson, regarding a draft Toxicological Profile created by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry that addresses four polyfluoroalkyl substances: perfluorooctane sulfonate, perfluorooctanoic acid, perfluorohexanoate and perfluorononanoate.

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for records that are publicly available. The EPA Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) will respond to your information request for the Agency.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

MAY 30 2018

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned  
Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW  
Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006-1232

**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – EPA-HQ-2018-007953**


Dear Ms. Berman

This is in response to your request for a fee waiver, in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeking access to and copies of all communications, from June 1, 2017 to present, between Tina Bahadori and Nancy Beck, Brittany Bolen, and Ryan Jackson that mention the word "formaldehyde".

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for records that are publicly available. The EPA Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) will respond to your information request for the Agency.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

*for*   
Larry F. Gottesman  
Agency FOIA Officer



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Washington, D.C. 20460

JUN 15 2018

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-007951

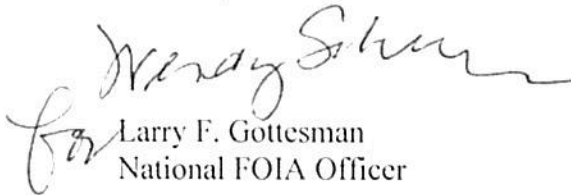
Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a waiver of fees in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for a copy of Tina Bahadori's calendar from June 1, 2017 to the present.

Based upon a review of your request, and the information available to us at this time, we have determined that the total fees that would be incurred in processing this request does not reach a billable amount. The EPA's Office of Research and Development will be responding to your information request.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
for Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer

# EPA-HQ-2018-007933 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Research Records **Due Date:** 06/21/2018 **Clock Days:** 248

**Case Phase:** Processing

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

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06/11/2018 08:22 PM FOIA Request: EPA-HQ-2018-007933 FW Ltr EBerman 007959, 07933, 007949, 007954.pdf					
FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-HQ-2018-007933	System	Emily Berman	06/11/2018		+
FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2018- 007933 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/23/2018		+

## Other Correspondence

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RE_ EPA-HQ-2019-001284 and 007933.pdf	0.1461	Adobe PDF Document	
RE_ Request for Equity Review.pdf	0.2177	Adobe PDF Document	



# EPA-HQ-2018-007959 Request Details Backlogged

**Case Status:** Assignment Determination **Due Date:** 06/21/2018 **Clock Days:** 248

**Case Phase:** Assignment

## Requester Information

## Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date	Remove	Detail
Fee Waiver	Monica Lewis	Emily Berman	06/11/2018		—

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FW Ltr EBerman 007959, 07933, 007949, 007954.pdf

FOIA Fee Waiver Disposition Reached for EPA-HQ-2018- 007959	System	Emily Berman	06/11/2018		—
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Your request for Fee Waiver for the FOIA request EPA-HQ-2018-007959 has beendetermined to be not applicable as the request is not billable.Additional details for this request are as follows:  
Request Created on:05/23/2018 Fee Waiver Disposition Reason:N/A Request Long  
Description:See attached document.

FOIA Request EPA-HQ- 2018-007959 Submitted	System	Emily Berman	05/23/2018		—
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This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: View Request .  
Request information is as follows: Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2018-007959 Requester Name:  
Emily Berman Date Submitted: 05/23/2018 Request Status: Submitted Description:See attached  
document.

## Other Correspondence

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

June 26, 2018

OFFICE OF  
AIR AND RADIATION

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientist  
1825 K Street, NW  
Suite 800  
Washington, D.C. 20006-1232

Dear Ms. Berman:

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2018-007855

This letter concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on May 21, 2018, in which you requested *"access to and copies of all communications, from March 1, 2018 to present, between Deputy Assistant Administrator Clint Woods and Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee chair Tony Cox."*

We have previously provided you with the responsive documents through FOIAonline. Portions of documents were redacted pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6). This material is exempt from disclosure because it contains personal information which would be an unwarranted invasion of privacy if released. There is no cost for the processing of this request.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to:

National FOIA Office  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A)  
Washington, D.C. 20460

Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, William Jefferson Clinton North Building, Room 5315, Washington, DC 20460.

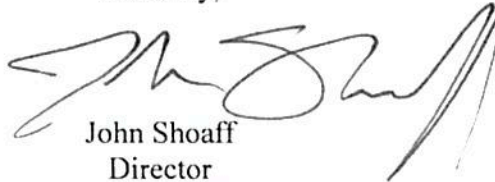
Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals *received* after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: email, [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; facsimile (202) 741-5769; or by mail at:

Office of Government Information Services  
National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510  
8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001

We appreciate your interest in the EPA and our mission to protect public health and the environment. Should you choose to appeal this determination, please be sure to fully address all factors required by EPA's FOIA Regulations, located at 40 C.F.R., Part 2.104.

Sincerely,

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John Shoaff  
Director  
Office of Air Policy and Program Support



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**  
Washington, D.C. 20460

**JUN - 7 2018**

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006-1232

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-007855

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a waiver of fees in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for copies of all communications, from March 1, 2018 to present, between Deputy Assistant Administrator Clint Wood and Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee chair Tony Cox.

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for otherwise publically available records. The EPA's Office of Air and Radiation will be responding to your information request.

If you have any questions concerning this determination, please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer





**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

Washington, D.C. 20460

**MAY 22 2018**

OFFICE OF  
GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Emily Berman  
Union of Concerned Scientists  
1825 K Street, NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006-1232

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-007668

Dear Ms. Berman:

This is in response to your request for a waiver of fees in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for copies of all communications to or from Nancy Beck, Troy Lyons, Brittany Bolen, Clint Wood, Justin Schwab, or Erik Baptist about the April 24, 2018 event at EPA in which Administrator Scott Pruitt announced the agency's proposed "Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science" rule.

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for otherwise publically available records. The EPA's Office of the Administrator will be responding to your information request.

If you have any questions concerning this determination, please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

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Larry F. Gottesman  
National FOIA Officer



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**RE: Freedom of Information Act Request: EPA-HQ-2018-007664; Final Response**

Dear Ms. Berman,

1. SUMMARY OF REQUEST

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated May 14, 2018 requesting access to and copies of all emails to or from the EPA employees in charge of scheduling for Richard Yamada, regarding the April 24, 2018 event at EPA in which Administrator Scott Pruitt announced the proposed "Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science" rule. This request included all communications about the event as well as all calendar invitations for or related to the event. The date range for this request was April 10, 2018 through April 25, 2018.

2. DISPOSITION

In response to your request, we have identified eight responsive records, two of which are releasable in full. These two records are being released to you with this letter. Six documents have been withheld as required under the FOIA Exemption 5 (Deliberative Process Privilege).

3. DESCRIPTION OF RECORDS

The released two documents are the cover e-mail announcing the signing of the proposed rule "Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science", and the attached proposed rule text.

4. COST INFORMATION

Fee waiver has been granted. There is no cost to you for processing this request.

5. FINAL APPEAL RIGHTS AND CONTACT INFORMATION.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov), or by mail to the EPA's National FOIA Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2310A), Washington, DC 20460. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 5315, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be

received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals *received* after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal". Additionally, you may seek assistance from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or call (202) 566-1667. Last you may also seek assistance from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email: [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone: (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax: (202) 741-5769. If you have any questions about this response, please contact Rebecca Clausen, 919-541-3002. [clausen.rebecca@epa.gov](mailto:clausen.rebecca@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Stefan Silzer  
Director  
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RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2018-007664

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We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for otherwise publically available records. The EPA's Office of Research and Development will be responding to your information request.

If you have any questions concerning this determination, please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

  
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